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## Western Tar Sands, Inc.

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December 17, 1984

Mr. James W. Smith, Jr.
Coordinator of Mined Land Development
Utah Natural Resources
3100 State Office Building
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Dear Mr. Smith:

In connection with an examination of our financial statements, will you please confirm that your office held a certificate of deposit as surety from Western Tar Sands, Inc., as of October 31, 1984. A copy of your letter of October 31, 1983 is enclosed for your reference. Please furnish this information directly to our auditors:

Denton, Netherton & Co., P.C. 7430 E. Caley Ave, Suite 200 Englewood, Colorado 80111

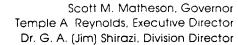
Thank you for your prompt response. Addressed return envelope is enclosed.

Yours very truly,

Louis I. Hart, Vr. President

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October 31, 1983

Mr. Stephen P. Rochereau Director of Finance Western Tar Sends, Inc. 818 17th Street, Suite 804 Denver, Colorado 80202

RE: Approval for Change in Surety

Raven Ridge Project

ACT/047/016

Uintah County, Utah

## Dear Stephen:

This is to notify you that the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining approved Western Tar Sands, Inc.'s request to change the form and amount of surety as proposed, subject to approval by the State Land Board. That change is to reduce the present surety in the form of a treasury bond from \$64,500.00 to a certificate of deposit in the amount of \$20,000.00 to be held by the Division of State Lands and Forestry. Also, the surety is to be reevaluated prior to recommencement of any further mining activity. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

JAME'S W. SMITH, JR.
COORDINATOR OF MINED
LAND DEVELOPMENT

JWS/btb

cc: John Blake, Division of State Lands & Forestry

P. Grubaugh-Littig, DOGM

T. Tetting, DOGM